PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yoshitaka SASAKI et al. Group Art Unit: 3729

Application No.: 10/807,280 Examiner: A. D. TUGBANG

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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the September 28, 2006 Office Action and in view of the Amendment After Final Rejection filed December 28, 2006 and the Advisory Action mailed January 29, 2007, and further in view of the enclosed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.